GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2199
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MEMBERSHIP OF TRADE UNION
JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to restrict the membership of the Trade Unions only to the serving Government employees; and

(b) if so, the time by which final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) & (b): Certain amendments were made in the Trade Unions Act, 1926, vide the Trade Unions (Amendment) Act, 2001 (31 of 2001). The provisions of this Act have been enforced, vide notification dated 09.01.2002.

In terms of amendments made, a Trade Union will now require at least 10 per cent or 100 workmen, whichever is less, subject to minimum of seven persons, engaged or employed in the establishment or industry with which it is connected, as its members for registration of a Trade Union, and for continuation of the Trade Union at all times.

The provisions of this Act are applicable to workmen employed in the departmental undertakings of the Central Government and also to workmen employed in other establishments or industries.